It's National FFA WEEK

THE NATIONWIDE CELEBRATION BY FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA — FEBRUARY 15-22, 1975

PLANNING AHEAD

That's not unusual for members of FFA.

They are already preparing for their future career in agriculture. They're enrolled in a vocational agricultural education program in their high school.

As a group, the FFA chapter knows the value of planning ahead for a better community and America.

THE APPOMATTOX SENIOR FFA: 1974-1975

The Appomattox County Senior FFA Chapter, during the past year, has competed on the national, state and area levels with enthusiastic determination.

On the **NATIONAL** scene, three (3) members, John Braford, Jim Braford and Jim Bondurant, received the FFA's highest honor, the American Farmer Degree. The Silver Emblem Award was also achieved by the Senior FFA Chapter in both the Building Our American Communities Program and the Outstanding Chapter Program.

STATEWIDE the Appomattox Senior FFA Chapter was well represented. Eight (8) representatives were sent to the State Convention at VPI. In state contest competition, the Senior FFA Degree Team placed 2nd; the Tractor Trouble Shooting Team placed 2nd; and the Crop Judging Team placed 3rd. The Chapter was awarded 1st place in the statewide Building Our American Communities Program and 3rd place in the Outstanding Chapter Contest. There was also a number of individual awards and recognitions on the state level. Seven (7) Chapter members received the State Farmer Degree (Clifton Carson, Glen Doss, David Hix, Ronald Jones, T. E. Moore, Steve Lamb, Tommy Wheeler). Vic Banton received the Livestock Farming Award and Steve Cawthorne the Horticulture Award. Mike Gallier was elected Vice-President of the State FFA and special recognition was given to Mr. H. B. Pack for honored Distinguished Service Award.

LOCALLY, the Appomattox Senior Chapter also received Superior Recognition. Steve Lamb was the HUB Federation FFA President and in HUB Federation contests, the Chapter placed 1st in Degree Team, Crop Judging and Dairy Judging. In the town of Appomattox, the Chapter constructed a Children's Park in cooperation with Woodmen of the World, the town and the Junior Women's Club. Also the Chapter had a representation of eight (8) members at the Federation Leadership School. 100% of the members received training in Committee Work, Parliamentary Procedure and Public Speaking.

FFA a chance for GROWTH

THE KEY TO SUCCES

For FFA members the key to their success in life is agricultural education. This sound program is headed local vo-ag instructor — chapter advisor. The prepares the student-member for tomorrow's agricultu

National Student Organization

Proud Past — Bright Future

One of the best examples of youth in action on the American scene today is the FFA, the national organization for students studying vocational agriculture in the public high schools. It is an organization run by the student members under adult guidance.

Even a few years ago, vocational agriculture became a subject in many of the nation's high schools. In 1917, instructors became aware of the need to provide practical training beyond the traditional classroom approach. Their idea was to make the instruction more interesting by making practical work experience, competitive livestock judging, and agricultural leadership development activities part of the instruction. Vocational agriculture instructors and students eagerly accepted the learn by doing principle.

The FFA was founded nationally in 1928 after similar organizations had started in several states. Right from the beginning, the FFA has stressed leadership, cooperation and citizenship—all vital to success in modern agriculture.

Today the FFA has a membership of over 450,000 with chapters in approximately 8,000 high schools throughout the nation. The organization has state associations in all states, except Alaska, and in Puerto Rico.

Vocational agriculture or agribusiness programs are funded in part by the National Vocational Education Acts through the U.S. Office of Education, state departments of education and the local school systems. The FFA operates under a federal charter granted by an Act of Congress in 1950 (Public Law 740, 81st Congress). The charter provides for a national board of directors and a board of student officers elected from the membership.

FFA activities are specifically designed to be a part of the instructional program in vocational agriculture. Members learn through active participation how to conduct and take part in public meetings, how to speak in public, and how to take a leadership role in their school and community.

Each local chapter and each state association elects its own officers each year. In all cases the teacher of vocational agriculture is the advisor of the local FFA chapter and the State supervisor of agricultural education is the advisor of the state association.

FFA members have full opportunity to practice the principles of democracy in conducting the affairs of their organization by exercising their privilege to vote at chapter meetings, serve on committees, and otherwise assist in carrying on the work of their organization. Elected delegates to the state and national conventions, held each year, are asked to decide on major issues facing the organization.

Advancement through the degrees in the organization from the Green Hand through the Chapter Farmer, State Farmer, and American Farmer or Agribusinessman is based on achievement in farming, ranching, or agribusiness careers.

Nearly 8,000 public high schools have FFA chapters. One of the requirements for membership in FFA is that a student be enrolled in vocational agriculture. Students may retain their membership until they are 21.

Competition is a key element of the FFA from the chapter to the national level. Each year the FFA recognizes more than 80,000 members at local, state and national levels for outstanding achievement in activities related to agriculture career and leadership development.

Funds for awards are provided by more than 700 businesses, organizations, and individuals that sponsor FFA programs through the National FFA Foundation, Inc. The Foundation provides nearly half a million dollars to make the incentive awards available to deserving FFA members in the following award programs: Star Farmer and Star Agribusinessman awards, 19 agricultural proficiency awards, public speaking, national chapter awards, national chapter safety, Building Our American Communities Awards, national judging contests, establishment in agriculture awards, and through state initiated programs for improving agricultural leadership.

1974-75 JR. CHAPTER OFFICERS
APPOMATTOX JR. FFA CHAPTER

Even though the 240 members of the Appomattox Jr. FFA chapter are 7th and 8th graders they are doing a senior job in preparing themselves for tomorrow's challenges, and in making their county a better place to live.

PREPARING FOR TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES

Members of the Appomattox Junior FFA Chapter are preparing themselves for their role in the world tomorrow through leadership and responsibility. Members are receiving leadership experience through participation in FFA meetings, and holding offices at class or chapter level. By working in the Agriculture mechanics shop, which is a part of their agriculture class, members are learning what it means to accept responsibility. For here members are acquiring work habits which will be an asset to them when they complete school and secure a job.

BETTERING THEIR COUNTY

By becoming more responsible citizens the members of the chapter are making their county a better place to live. But there are several projects the members are undertaking to help make Appomattox County a better place to live now. These projects include, helping to expand the children's park, cleaning up community eyesores and even repairing old toys to give to needy children.

By improving themselves and their county the members of the Appomattox Jr. FFA Chapter are taking advantage of their "Chance for Growth."

Recent food shortages in this country have reaffirmed the need for continuing a strong program of vocational agriculture and the FFA. Thus there is a bright future for trained agriculturists ready to serve America.

FFA Unites Its Members With Career Opportunities.

LEARNING

through practical experiences and working with someone who already knows, FFA members get ready for their careers in agriculture.

Learning by doing is a basic principle behind the vocational agricultural education program. FFA encourages that principle. And gives the student-member a chance for GROWTH.

FFA

The FFA Provides an Opportunity For Youth In Agriculture To Learn, To Do, To Earn, And To Serve.

WORKING

is not a bad word. It's what has made America great. A supervised work experience program is a valuable part of every FFA member's total instructional program in Agricultural Education. It is also a major portion of the FFA chapter program of work.

HUNGRY?

FFA members have youthful appetites. They appreciate having good foods and plenty of them.

As part of an FFA'ers vocational agricultural education, the student-member discovers the ever expanding career opportunities. It will take trained producers, processors, marketers and distributors to be sure Americans get enough food to eat in the future.

Don't Read This

. . . unless you're interested in the future. Particularly America's agricultural future. Who will be its leaders? Who will produce the food? Who will know how to market products?

The vocational agriculture—FFA program of career education in agriculture strives to match the student's skills and potentials with likely opportunities.

These young men and women in FFA will be ready for the future.

EARNING

recognition on the local, state and national levels serves as a tremendous incentative for FFA members to study and work more diligently toward their career goals.

What's Ahead, Food or Famine?

What's ahead for tomorrow's agriculture? Over 450,000 members of the Future Farmers of America are confident that agriculture has a bright future. They're preparing for careers in this vital industry that provides food, fiber and a better environment for the nation and the world.

In over 8,000 high schools across the nation, students in the vocational agriculture instruction program are learning the skills and gaining the technical knowhow that will prepare them for careers in production agriculture, agribusiness or natural resources.

Their goal is to become employed in one of the thousands of occupations that serve consumers by supplying and servicing the nation's farmers, by producing an abundant supply of food and fiber and by maintaining and carefully using precious natural resources.

The optimism of these young people comes from the fact that they will be part of the nation's largest and most dynamic. Today two out of three jobs are related to agriculture. They know that food is big business and the nation's farmers are doing the backbone in our successful enterprise system. They have the pride and accomplishment working in one of the most modern and efficient agricultural production plants in the world.

Through their membership in the FFA, vocational agriculture students are preparing themselves for the challenges of modern agriculture. As officers, committee participants, and leaders in business and community ventures, FFA members are learning to set goals, work together, accept leadership role to achieve goals. It is this training that helps prepare for tomorrow's challenges and gives members a head start toward GROWTH.

FFA a chance for GROWTH

He grows taller to reach new goals in life.

She can see over the horizon to her career in agriculture.

They are members of the FFA — a national student organization of young men and women enrolled in 8,000 local high school vocational agricultural education departments. They are over 450 thousand strong.

There is the physical GROWTH of youth of course, stimulated by nutrition and youthful vigor.

But more, FFA and vo-ag provides youth in agriculture a chance to GROW personally and professionally. The program creates the atmosphere in which they can GROW and become responsible leaders for agriculture. FFA is an integral part of the educational system; and the FFA is built around the principle of learning by doing. Professional growth in a selected agri-career is the objective of the agricultural education effort.

The FFA student organization also offers an atmosphere of opportunities for the individual to GROW. He faces competition. She serves as an elected officer, works hard as a member of a chapter committee. He is responsible for the project. Others are depending on him. Personal development occurs.

One other important aspect of student-member GROWTH is the vocational agriculture instructor. He guides and counsels through the vo-ag program. He advises the member in FFA. The advisor is the important factor in the GROWING process.

Students emerge from the proven GROWTH program trained and prepared for the task of serving America's agriculture. They have developed self-confidence as effective leaders, decision makers, and responsible personalities, moral citizens, and confident individuals ready for life.

Observe their enthusiasm, sparkle and pride for themselves, and for our nation.

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Mr. Sam B. Ferguson of Appomattox visited his sister, Mrs. C. J. Paulette last week.

Mrs. W. C. Paulette was confined to her home several days last week because of illness.

E. W. Paulette, Jr. of Bluefield College, accompanied by his roommate, Phil King, spent last week end with his mother, Mrs. E. W. Paulette, Sr.

Mrs. Martha Connor and Mrs. Roberta Mitchell visited Sunday afternoon in the home of their mother, Mrs. E. L. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Moore of Charlotte Court House visited in the home of Mrs. E. W. Paulette Sr. on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Martin, Sr. were Sunday afternoon guests in the home of his mother, Mrs. Lockie Martin.

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This information was taken from the 1947 National Conference on Prevention and Control of Juvenile Delinquency.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Cheese Bread (Makes 2 loaves)
7 to 8 cups unsifted flour
⅓ cup sugar
1 tablespoon salt
2 pkgs active dry yeast
⅔ cup milk
3 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese (¾ pound)
Melted margarine
2 cups water

In a large bowl thoroughly mix 2½ cups flour, sugar, salt and undissolved active dry yeast.

Combine water and milk in a saucepan. Heat over low heat until liquids are very warm (120°F-130°F.) Gradually add to dry ingredients and beat 2 minutes at medium speed of electric mixer, scraping bowl occasionally. Add cheese and ½ cup flour. Beat at high speed for 2 minutes, scraping occasionally. Stir in enough additional flour to make a stiff dough. Turn out onto lightly floured board; knead until smooth and elastic, about 8 to 10 minutes. Place in greased bowl, turning to grease top. Cover; let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour.

Punch dough down; turn out onto board. Cover; let rest 15 minutes.

Divide dough in half. Shape into loaves. Place in 2 greased 9 x 5x3-inch loaf pans. Cover; let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour.

Bake on lowest rack position at 275°F. about 40 minutes, or until done. Remove from pans and cool on wire racks. Brush tops with melted margarine.

Mrs. Barbara Waddell, Principal at Pamplin Elementary School, is shown above presenting conservation booklets to Mrs Sarah Wayne, teacher at PES.

Mrs. Henrietta Johnson, teacher of kindergarten, Susan Booker, first year student, and Mrs. Patricia Torrence, Principal at Appomattox Primary School, look over conservation booklets.

Mrs. Hezetine Foster, Assistant Principal at Appomattox Elementary School, right above, is shown presenting conservation booklets to Mrs. Erna Dickerson, teacher at that school.

The conservation booklets were given to the three schools by the Appomattox Garden Club to be used in Kindergarten through Grade Three. They were purchased by Farmers National Bank and Fidelity National Bank, Appomattox, and donated to the Garden Club.

Vera

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilkerson took Mrs. Irvin C. Moses to Lynchburg last week to see an eye specialist.

There are many people in our neighborhood in with the flu bug.

Sorry to hear Mrs. Preston Coleman fell and broke her wrist. Glad to learn that she is getting on nicely.

Rev. and Mrs. Deryl Holliday and children, Dawn, Deryl, Jr., Paul and Judie, and Mrs. Bettie Garrett were dinner guest on Friday of Mrs. Irvin C. Moses. Friday was Judie's birthday.

The New Hope Baptist Church pastor, Rev. Deryl B. Holliday, entered the Virginia Baptist Monday of this week for treatment.

We are glad to know that Joe Megginson has returned home from the hospital and is much improved.

FBLA Winter Executive Bd.

The Future Business Leaders of America held its Winter Board Meeting in Richmond on Feb. 8, 1975 at the Sheraton Inn. Julie Moore, Longwood Region President, Mrs. Celia Beamer, Longwood Region Advisor and Mrs. Frances Hamlet, Farmville, Longwood Region Director were in attendance.

A Special Task Force Meeting was held on Feb. 7 which was divided into several groups. The groups covered areas of interest to the members in attendance. Individual group reports were given at a general session that night.

The Saturday meeting consisted of officers' semi-annual reports, a financial report, discussin of FBLA's 25 anniversary, Bicentennial celebration, and plans for FBLA's convention in April to be held in Richmond's John Marshall Hotel.

On Saturday afternoon, the Winter Executive Board meeting of the Future Business Leaders of America was adjourned.

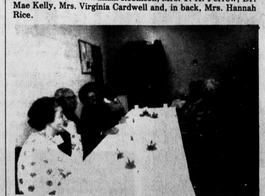
COMPLETES TRAINING

Feb. 6 - Marine Pfc. Gene A. Mayhugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Webb of Route 2, Appomattox, Va., has completed rough terrain training while serving with the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa.

He received instruction in land navigation skills and patroling techniques used by infantry units in extremely rugged areas.

A 1973 graduate of Appomattox High School, he joined the Marine Corps in May 1974.

Judges for the Fine Arts Show sponsored by the Plum Branch Woman's Club, shown above, left to right, were Mrs. Glover Jones, Mrs. William Robinson, Mrs. T. A. Perrow, Dr. Mae Kelly, Mrs. Virginia Cardwell and, in back, Mrs. Hannah Rice.



Shown above are some of the Concord Senior Citizens who displayed arts and crafts at the Fine Arts Show sponsored by the Plum Branch Woman's Club. Mrs. Dan Holloway, 1st Vice President, is shown with group.

Plum Branch Woman's Club Sponsored Fine Arts Show

The Plum Branch Woman's Club held its annual Fine Arts Show on Friday, February 7th, at Believers Chapel near Concord. Judges for the contest were Dr. Mae Kelly, Mrs. T. A. Perrow, Mrs. William Robinson, Mrs. Hannah Rice, Mrs. Virginia Cardwell and Mrs. Glover Jones, all from the Concord area.

Eight blue ribbons were awarded Plum Branch members: Mrs. William Stacy, Hairpin lace stole; Mrs. Harmon Marrs, crocheted afghan and ceramics; Mrs. Oliver Heights, crafty creatures, naturescope, Christmas table decoration, Ecology and Decorative Arts.

Several members of the Concord Senior Citizens Club brought some of their Arts and Crafts for display.

A covered dish luncheon was served to the Concord Senior Citizens Club by the Plum Branch Woman's Club members following the Fine Arts Show.

The regular February meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Henry McClanahan on February 13th.

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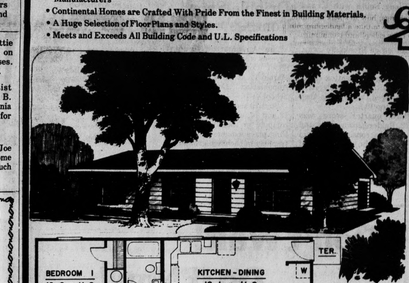

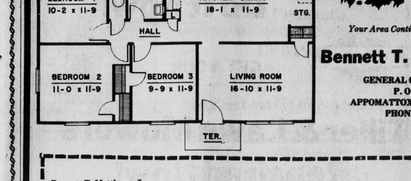

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